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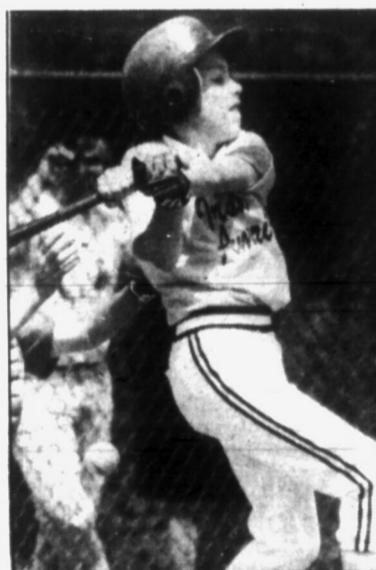
COMING EVENTS

■ Arlington Recreation will show feature length movies outdoors at Buck Field next to the sports Center on Tuesday evenings. The schedule of films is: July 7 — *Fievel Goes West*; July 14 — *The Land Before Time*; July 21 — *101 Dalmatians*; July 28 — *Beauty and the Beast*.

Movies will start at dusk. Feel free to bring blankets or chairs to sit on. In the event of rain, the movies will be shown in the Sports Center.

The family movies are sponsored by the Rotary Club of Arlington. For more information call 641-5492. To find out about other events in the community and the area, please see page 4B.

SPORTS



■ Chris Martin of the Irish/American Club takes a swing during the National League Playoffs competition. His team will play for the Little League town championships starting Monday. For more on the tournament and other sports action, see page 1B.

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MAKING THINGS GREENER



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Crews work on the Island on Pleasant Street at the entrance to Arlington. The work being done is part of a larger project of work for the entire town to help clean up the entrances to the town, erect new signs, and add more greenery and plants to business districts.

Town works on look

Things are getting a little greener in Arlington thanks to public and private projects.

Town officials here in Arlington — one of the most densely populated towns in the state — are working with federal grants and private groups to make the public areas in town greener and more attractive.

"I think people will start to notice some of the changes we have going on around here and I think they'll appreciate them," said Town Manager Donald R. Marquis of the project.

Some of the projects include:

the removal of concrete from the

island at intersection of Route 2 and Pleasant Street with the planting of shrubs and the erecting of a new "Arlington" sign; hanging plants from light poles in Arlington Center; and the cleaning up of the Uncle Sam monument area at Mass. Avenue and Mystic Street.

Much of the work on town property is being done through the federal Community Development Block Grant program. About \$10,000 will be spent this year on islands, park areas, new signs, and other planting.

The money for this project is taxpayers' money, but it's not

coming from the local property tax base," said Marquis.

Marquis and other town officials are working on plans to have businesses and community groups maintain the new greenery once the town's work is complete.

The Pioneer Financial Bank in Arlington Center has agreed to upgrade and maintain the park area around the Uncle Sam monument, said Marquis.

Other businesses and community groups are looking into adopted some of the open space areas, Marquis said.

Problems with youths increase

Each year, just after school lets out, police brace for the increases in vandalism, public drinking, and reports from neighborhoods of youths gathering.

"It happens every year, we just have to wait to see where the young people will show up," said John Carroll, the town's director of police services.

There are many athletic programs and recreation activities for Arlington's young people, but for those who are not athletically inclined there are not many local options.

"Even the libraries are closed and no one likes to see any of us around — even if we buy something," said one young Arlington girl.

There were more than 40 reports in this week's police log of youths gathering and loud noises near area

parks. However, while there are more young people around in the summer, it is not the reports of youths hanging out or playing in parks after hours that bother police.

"Some of the groups are quite well known to us and are involved in causing serious problems in the areas where they hang out," said Carroll this week.

Incidents this week include a 14-year-old being arrested for being in possession of alcohol after the group he was with was causing a disturbance on Ryder Street near the town skating rink, and a 17-year-old suffering a broken nose after a fight broke out behind Arlington High School.

Director Carroll also said the high school was broken into on the weekend of June 20-21. Trash was re-

portedly thrown around portions of the main building and the window of the media center was broken. Those who broke in also apparently got into the cafeteria area and vandalized that section, and helped themselves to some ice cream before leaving the building.

Although it is recorded in the police log, the reports of youths gathering does not mean the youths have done anything wrong, rather they may be causing a disturbance or just worrying area residents. Police respond to all of the calls received.

Several areas are known to police as youth hangouts, but Carroll says some favorite spots change each year. "The young people really haven't settled down yet. But some of the places our officers are very familiar with who hangs out there and when they should look for them."

RACE FOR STATE REP. SEAT



Allen



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● Candidates square off

The three candidates running for the 26th Middlesex District seat representing Belmont and East Arlington took part in their first televised debate last Thursday, at the studios of Belmont's Channel 8. Candidates' debates have been televised on the Arlington cable system during past election campaigns, but this was a first for Belmont.

The "Eyes on Belmont" program was a live call-in show, with questions posed by viewers and host Pat Curley. Despite an undercurrent of tension between the candidates, they managed to maintain an amicable atmosphere as they stressed their differences and used the forum to get their electoral messages across.

The biggest gainer after the debate was probably Democratic candidate Kathleen Allen, Belmont Town Meeting member and a former Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination member. This was not because she out-debated her opponents — there was no clear "winner" as such — but because it gave her an opportunity to increase her name recognition to the level

CANDIDATES, See page 13A

● Endorsements roll in

The first endorsements of the East Arlington/Belmont state representative race emerged recently, with both Anne Paulsen and Kathy Allen gaining support in their run for the democratic nomination.

At the Belmont Democratic Town Committee meeting held two weeks ago, Paulsen was endorsed by the local party 19 votes to nil, with one abstention. DTC Chairman Joe Autilio said he was surprised at the lopsided nature of the vote.

"It's a very strong vote ... I'm very pleased and happy to support Anne because I think she represents the qualities

and values that I think are important in a representative," Autilio said. "She has served the town on the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, and this elected service to the town has given her skills and experience that will be useful for Belmont on Beacon Hill. Her knowledge of local issues should be taken to the state level, where she can express the concerns and needs of the town in the legislature."

Autilio said Allen made a good presentation, which he characterized as "pleasant

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INSIDE ARLINGTON



Toddler and Two programs

Children ages 15-36 months with an adult may stop by the Fox Library Tuesday morning, July 7, for a play time. Age appropriate toys and a simple craft will be available from 10:30 a.m. until noon. This program will take place every other week.

Preschool storytimes on July 8

The Children's Services Department of the Library will hold Storytimes for preschoolers on Wednesday, July 8. 3-year-olds are invited to come by 10:30 a.m. for approximately 30 minutes of summer stories. 4- and 5-year-olds will listen to stories for approximately 40 minutes at 2:30 p.m. No sign-up is necessary, but due to differences in interests and attention spans, we do request that the age recommendations be followed.

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children interested in selling crafts and/or goodies at the annual Kid's Craft Fair to be held on Wednesday, July 29, at the Recreation Department Rink on Summer Street. Those who wish to sell should register at the Fox Library Circulation Desk in person, or by calling 641-5490. They will receive a flyer with guidelines for the day. Be prepared to give a general idea of what you plan to sell. If you need ideas, stop by the library and take home some craft books.

July Storytimes at the library

During the month of July, the Children's Services Department of the Robbins Library will hold a variety of story programs for young children.

Sessions for three-year-olds will be held on Wednesdays, July 8, 15 and 22, at 10:30 a.m., at the Fox Branch Library.

Sessions for 4- and 5-year-olds will be held on Wednesdays, July 8, 15 and 22, at 2:30 p.m., at the Fox Branch Library.

Pajama Storytimes for children ages 3 to 6 will be held at 7:30 p.m. Mondays, July 13 and 27.

A Toddler playtime with age-appropriate toys and a craft available will be held Tuesdays, July 7 and 21, from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Food safety tips for a healthy summer season

Summer is here again — the season for barbecues, picnics and backyard buffets. Though outdoor dining is a great way to socialize and enjoy the summer sun, many a good time has been spoiled by lack of attention to the most important aspect of meal planning — food safety. "Food poisoning peaks during the hot summer months making it well worth the

effort to take extra precautions when preparing foods to be served outside," suggests Hillary Wright, R.D., spokesperson for the Massachusetts Dietetic Association (MDA).

Food poisoning, also known as food-borne illness, affects nearly one third of the United States population annually and appears to be on the rise.

The term food poisoning refers to either infections caused by microorganisms in food (usually bacteria), or illness caused by toxic substances produced by these microorganisms.

In most cases, symptoms are fairly mild and include abdominal cramps, headaches, vomiting and diarrhea. Due to the similarities of these complaints to other minor illnesses, a case of food poisoning may mistakenly be written off as a short bout of the flu.

Fortunately, most of us have healthy immune systems that provide protection from bacteria in foods as well as other harmful organisms in our environment. But for the young, old, or otherwise ill, the outcome of a food-borne illness can be severe — even fatal.

Summer is peak season for food-borne illness for several reasons. The climate is ideal for foodborne bacteria which grows best at temperatures between 40 to 140 degrees. Bacteria also needs moisture to flourish and summer weather is often humid. Under these conditions, along with an ample supply of nutrients from food, bacteria can double their numbers every 20 minutes!

Foods commonly served outside, like meat, poultry and creamy salads, often start out with higher bacterial counts as well, making them potentially more hazardous. Considering the variety of foods that we are now preparing outdoors, awareness of food safety issues is now more necessary than ever!

As threatening as all this sounds, food poisoning can be easily avoided by paying a little extra attention to how you prepare and store foods.

following tips should help you keep your summer celebrations safe:

Maintain a clean food preparation area.

Avoid cross-contamination of bacteria by washing anything that touches raw meat or poultry with hot, soapy water.

Refrigerate raw meat and poultry no longer than two days before cooking or freezing for later use.

Marinate meat and poultry in the refrigerator.

Cook food thoroughly. Meat and fish should be cooked to an internal temperature of 160 degrees, poultry to 180 degrees.

Partial cooking of food ahead of time is safe only if it goes immediately to the grill.

When transporting perishable food, either from the store or to a picnic site, keep it cold to minimize bacterial growth.

If a cooler is not available, safer foods include fruits and vegetables, hard cheeses (safe for up to two hours), canned or dried meats or fish, dry cereal, breads, crackers and peanut butter.

Never leave perishable food out for more than two hours, one hour if it's greater than 85 degrees outdoors.

Refrigerate leftovers promptly.

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ARLINGTON NEWS

Anxious riders cause problems

While town officials are buoyed by the interest in the new bike trail that cuts through Arlington, some area residents are voicing concern over how the path is being used.

The bikeway, an 11-mile commuter stretch that extends from East Arlington to Bedford, is being built along a former Boston & Maine railroad corridor.

Since the path was given its first coat of pavement a couple of months ago, the trail has been used heavily. Several weeks ago reconstruction began on three bridges on the bikeway which has blocked the path.

Many cyclists have been going around the bridges to continue on the path, often going through private property and cutting trails through businesses and backyards.

"It's great that people are using the bikeway as much as they have been,

but people need to know it's not open yet. The contractor is still working on the site," said Alan McClenen Jr., the town's director of planning and community development.

The bridges — at Grove, Brattle, and Forest streets — are expected to be completed in the next three weeks, McClenen said.

"The subcontractor working on the bridges will be working on them in the next few weeks. There are public access points to go around those bridges," said McClenen.

At Grove and Forest streets there are few public access spots around the bridges. At Brattle Street there is a set of stairs.

Under the contract with the construction company, the contractor could close the bikeway or sections to public traffic. The contractor, however, has tried to make the site as accessible as possible.

Major ground work is currently going on in Lexington. Another coat of asphalt and landscaping on the Arlington section is expected to be completed by September.

Three other bridges that are used by motor vehicles and cross over the path — at Lowell Street, Park Avenue, and Drake Road — are slated to be reconstructed by the state in 1993. If work is conducted as the state currently has planned, work on the bridges will cause the shutdown of the bikeway in those three areas.

Arlington officials have been working with the state to have a cheaper and more convenient plan implemented before the bikeway opens. The town has recommended the use of culverts or tubes as a way to bring the bridges back down to street level and make work easier.

Help given to local pantry

Food for the Poor, an international relief agency known primarily for its effort in Haiti and the Caribbean, is now involved in a special project to assist struggling soup kitchens in the U.S. and several Boston-area social agencies have benefited from the program — including the Arlington Food Pantry in Arlington.

"Our method of providing assistance in the U.S. mirrors the way we work in the Caribbean. Rather than send surplus items of our choosing, we met with administrators from My Brother's Table in Lynn and asked them about their needs. We were told

that food was in short supply, so we sent 40,000 pounds of rice to the people at My Brother's Table who then shared it with a score of other local feeding programs," explained Ferdinand Mahfood, the founder and director of Food for the Poor.

"It was wonderful to see so many social programs cooperating in the effort. It's hard to say how many people will ultimately benefit from the food."

In the case of Arlington Food Pantry, 400 pounds of the food was received for use in the Arlington area.

"We were very impressed with what the Arlington Food Pantry and

the other U.S. social programs have been doing for the community, and we're pleased to have had this opportunity to lend a hand," Mahfood said.

"Although Food for the Poor must continue to focus its work in the impoverished areas of Haiti and the Caribbean, we plan to maintain our relationships with social agencies in the U.S., doing what we can to help them better serve the poor."

Since its inception in 1982, Food for the Poor has shipped more than \$120 million worth of food, building supplies, school furniture, equipment for self-help projects and other direct assistance to 20 different Third World countries, but its seven primary areas of service remain Haiti, Jamaica, Guyana, Trinidad, Grenada, St. Lucia and Dominica.

Food for the Poor had also been recognized for its cost-effectiveness. From the agency's inception to date, its ratio of administrative expenses to goods shipped has been low — less than 10 percent.

For more information about Food for the Poor, contact the agency directly at 1-800-282-POOR.

Students read through summer

READ, From page 1A

ing out the grade 12 Advanced Placement reading list.

The Advanced Placement list states, "You should have read the following titles. If you have not read all of these, please do so by September." The must-read list includes *The Merchant of Venice, Romeo and Juliet, Great Expectations, David Copperfield, The Grapes of Wrath, Ethan Frome, Julius Caesar, the Great Gatsby, Tale of Two Cities, Crucible, The Scarlet Letter, and Death of a Salesman.*

The list also mandates that seniors read *Othello and Hamlet*, by William Shakespeare; *A Man For All Seasons*, by Robert Bolt; *Gulliver's Travels*, by Jonathan Swift; and *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austen.

Harrington held under her arm *Othello* and *Pride and Prejudice*. "They're all pretty serious," she said of the books.

Harrington said Shakespeare's language was a bit heavy for her tastes, but she added, "I've read parts of *Pride and Prejudice* and I like that."

We asked what kind of books she likes to read in her spare time. She replied, "Stephen King and Mary Higgins Clark."

The high school reading list was compiled by English teachers at Tottoson Junior High and Arlington High schools, and was organized by Thomas M. Trevisani Jr., chairman of the English Department.

Authors recommended for the junior high level include Joan Aiken, Robert Cormier, S.E. Hinton, Katherine Peterson, Cynthia Voigt, Jill Paton Walsh, Scott O'Dell, Zibby O'Neal, and many others.

Some of the books recommended for junior high students include *The Philadelphia Adventure*, by Lloyd Alexander, a story in which a character and her guardian attempt the rescue of two children kidnapped from the care of the emperor of Brazil; and *Bingo Brown and the Language of Love*, a book by Betsy Byers about the Bingo Brown character, who, according to the reading list, "continues a poignantly funny journey through puberty, trying to

understand himself, other people, life, and love."

Younger children, although not required to do so through a reading list, are already seeking out books on the shelves of Arlington's libraries. Last Thursday, Adam Culhane, 5, had accompanied his mother, Beth, to the Fox Branch.

Adam, a Brackett School student, had selected *Barnaby Shrew Goes to Sea*, by Steve Augarde, and *Just a Daydream*, by Mercer Mayer.

When Adam was asked why he liked reading so much, he replied, "'Cause it's fun.' When asked how many books he was prepared to read this summer, Adam said, "Maybe 25."

Diane Shetler, head of Children's Services for Arlington libraries, said the Summer Reading Olympics program will encourage students to read during the summer.

The Olympics will have two teams: the preschool team, for ages three to five; and the school team, for those in kindergarten through junior high.

Beginning June 19, the Fox Branch

staff will supply reading packets that include a chart to track progress. At the end of the summer, students will be awarded medals for reading achievement.

A student that has read between 3 and 9 books will receive a bronze medal; one who reads between 10 and 19 will receive a silver; and one who reads 20 or more books will receive a gold medal.

"We're in a full time now, because school just ended," said Shetler. "But it will get busy soon. Last year we had about 900 children read 17,000 books. That's been about average for the last four years."

The Fox Branch is holding the children's and young adult's collections until construction of the Robbins Library is finished.

The summer hours of the Fox Branch library, beginning June 29, will be 1 to 9 p.m. on Monday; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; and 1 to 5 p.m. on Friday.

The summer hours of the Robbins Library, which are already effective, will be 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

Removed from respirator, boy still in coma

A five-year-old Arlington boy, who has been in a coma for two weeks following a swimming accident in Concord, has been removed from a respirator.

The boy, Samuel Kurdi — who is called "Sammy" by his family — remains in intensive care in Children's Hospital after nearly drowning in Walden Pond three weeks ago.

"They tried over the past 10 days to remove him from the respirator and finally have done so," said Kip Cooper, a spokesman for the family.

Sammy, a Hardy School student, was found floating in the water without a pulse after lifeguards evacuated the crowded water with whistles, according to police.

The Kurdi family, which operates Esplanade Cleaners and has been beset by financial difficulties caused by the recession, has no medical in-

surance to cover the hospital costs for their son, according to Cooper.

Cooper, who is caring for the family's business while they attend to their son in the hospital, says friends from the Moslem church have helped take care of the family's other two children, Sarah, 2, and Richard, 7, a Hardy School student.

The family had recently moved to the Arlington after living in a mountain community in Lebanon.

Kurdi said this week thousands of dollars in support has been received from this community and other communities. He said the support has been unbelievable, "even competitors have come forward to help out and run the business and teach him what to do."

A bank account has been set up at the Belmont Savings Bank to accept donations to help the Kurdi family defray medical costs for their son.

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POLICE LOG

Woman reports assault on bus

A 20-year-old Teel Street woman reported she was assaulted by another woman while she was riding on an MBTA bus in East Arlington.

Police received a report from an MBTA dispatcher the woman had been struck in the head and face by a fellow passenger who was described as woman in her mid-40s. The bus was on Mass. Avenue near the corner of Trowbridge Street.

The woman reportedly did not need medical attention.

Boy treated after fight behind AHS

A 17-year-old Cheswick Road youth received a broken nose and a cut to the forehead after reportedly being in a fight with an 18-year-old Rhinecliff man.

After the fight, the 18-year-old reportedly picked up a rock and hit the 17-year-old in the head, according to police. The 17-year-old refused to name his assailant for police, however, other witnesses named the man.

The fight reportedly broke out behind Arlington High School. No cause for the fight was known this week.

The youth was taken to Symmes Hospital where he was treated for these injuries.

ARRESTS

■ A 24-year-old Parker Road man was arrested on June 23 at about 5:30 p.m. on outstanding warrants for unlawful possession of illegal substances, drugs. While police were arresting the man he was observed by an officer trying to swallow something in his possession. Believing the substance was drugs, the man was taken to Symmes Hospital for observation. According to police reports, the man told police he had swallowed marijuana. Also, when officers took the man into custody they found the man in possession of items that had been reported stolen from another residence on Parker Road. Police will seek additional complaints against the man.

■ Also on June 23 at 10:35 p.m., police — responding to calls about youths gathering — found a 14-year-old Cleveland Street boy in possession of alcohol. The boy was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. The boy had reportedly been with the group creating the disturbance. A check revealed the boy was also wanted on two outstanding Arlington police warrants for breaking and entering in the nighttime and larceny.

■ A 16-year-old Academy Street boy was taken into protective custody after being found in what police described as a drunken condition near Summer Street. The boy was also ap-

More bicycles stolen

Police received more reports this week of bicycles being stolen, some while the owners were nearby.

A 15-year-old Milton Street youth told police that sometime between 5 and 5:30 p.m. on June 25 his bike was taken while he was in the playground at Magnolia Field.

The bicycle was described as a Mongoose, free-style bike, valued at \$150. On that same day, a 45-year-old Roslindale man reported his 14-speed bicycle, which had been chained to a tree, was taken sometime between 7:30 and 9 p.m. The bicycle, a 1989 Cannondale, was valued at \$700, police said.

man was arrested in Chelsea Court after a computer check revealed the man was wanted for outstanding Arlington warrants for breaking and entering in the daytime.

LARCENIES & BREAK-INS

■ A business in the 800 block of Mass. Avenue reported a break-in on June 22 at 8:40 a.m.

■ On June 22 at 9:02 a.m., a bicycle was reported as stolen by a Teel Street resident.

■ A vehicle was reported stolen from the 1000 block of Mass. Avenue at 10:04 a.m.

■ On June 23 a larceny was reported on Lowell Street.

■ A house on Coolidge Road was reportedly broken into at 2:07 a.m. on June 23.

■ On June 23, a resident of Parker Road reported his home had been broken into and several items were taken.

■ A larceny was reported on June 24 at 11:04 a.m. at a residence on Mayflower Road.

■ On June 24 a motor vehicle was reported stolen from Mass. Avenue at Water Street at about 2:29 p.m.

■ Police received a report of shoplifting from a store at 905 Mass. Avenue.

■ Woods & Strings music store in Arlington Center reported to police that a customer had scooped up several CDs and tapes from the racks in the store and ran from the area. A clerk in the store followed after the youth down Mystic Street. A short time later police and store officials recovered the missing items in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery. No arrests were made. Police described suspect as a white male about 15 to 18 years old.

■ Another larceny was reported at 1:46 p.m. on June 25 in the 1300 block of Mass. Avenue.

■ A bicycle was reported stolen on June 25 at 3:35 p.m. from the 1000 block of Mass. Avenue. A short time later another bicycle was reported as stolen from Milton Street.

■ A bicycle was reported to police as stolen from the 200 block of Mass. Avenue on June 25 at 11:11 p.m.

■ During the night of June 28 a set of golf clubs, valued at \$200, was apparently stolen. A resident of Forest Street told police the clubs were taken from a parked car.

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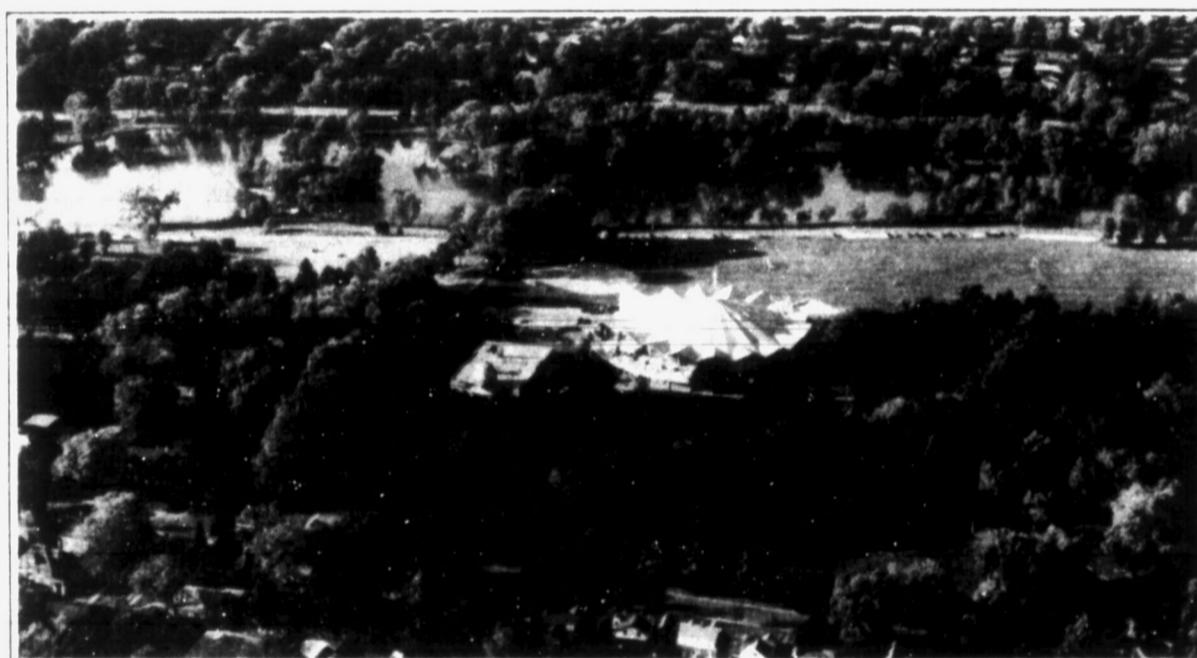


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Festival Theatre



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Douglas Chamberlain and Gordon Crossland antiquing in Shakespeare, Ontario. This year at the Stratford Festival, Douglas will be playing Ingester in *World of Wonders* and Sir Joseph Porter in *H.M.S. Pinafore*.

Stratford boasts three superb parks: Shakespeare Garden, a riverside herbarium and topiary garden under cultivation before the Festival was a glimmer in founder Tom Patterson's eye. Queen's Park, in the lee of the Festival Theatre, with its swaying waterside willows and weekend Art in the Park, and Confederation Park, a footbridge away from the Festival, a glorious sanctuary featuring a Japanese rockpool, whose waterfall will full you.

It is a city of surprising quiet and privacy, where one can make one's own day in one's own way. This season marks the Festival's 40th year to be celebrated by four Shakespeare plays on the Festival's famous mainstage and a July 12th celebration day of Elizabethan rousing and jousting, roasting and busking, right on the river's edge, highlighted by film histories of the Festival. Or browse the book stores and antique shops, stopping in for a real ale in the same pub where the actors cool their thirst nightly.

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here, which continues to produce culinary talent second to none. Over 100,000 motorcoach patrons come to Stratford each season, and 100,000 student playgoers -- and they come back.

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VANDALISM

■ A car was reportedly vandalized on June 22 at 11 a.m. in the 1100 block of Mass. Avenue.

■ At 1:33 a.m. on June 23, police received a report of a motor vehicle being vandalized at 1 Watermill Place.

■ On June 23 police received a report at 5:32 p.m. a home had been vandalized on Brooks Avenue.

■ On June 24 at 6:52 p.m., a motor vehicle was reportedly vandalized while parked at 1 Watermill Place.

■ Police received a report on June 24 at 11:05 p.m. that a motor vehicle had been vandalized near the intersection of Route 2 and Dow Avenue.

■ On June 25 police received a report of a motor vehicle being vandalized at 5:14 p.m. while parked in Downing Square.

■ A motor vehicle was reportedly vandalized on Pleasant Street on June 25 at 5:32 p.m.

■ A car was reportedly damaged while parked on Wellington Street on June 25 at 6:06 p.m.

■ At 11:01 p.m. police received a report of a stolen motor vehicle. The car had apparently been parked in a lot on Viking Court.

■ A report was received regarding vandalism of a car in the 1100 block of Mass Avenue on June 26 at 10:50 a.m.

■ Also on June 26, at 3:05 p.m., police received a report of vandalism to a motor vehicle on Brunswick Road.

■ On June 27 at 2:37 a.m. a Newland Road resident reported some vandalism.

■ At 10:17 a.m. on June 27 received a report of a motor vehicle being vandalized on Fremont Court.

■ On June 27 at 10:44 a.m. there was a motor vehicle vandalized in the 800 Mass. Avenue.

MISCELLANEOUS

■ A Mill Street person reported receiving threats on June 22 at 2:46 p.m.

■ On June 22 at 5:43 p.m. an assault was reported at the intersection of Park and Mass. avenues.

■ Police received reports of youths gathering at the intersection of Mass. Avenue and Forest Street at 9:34 p.m. on June 22. A short time later police received another report of youths gathering near the Dalton School.

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ARLINGTON NEWS

Vision 2020 groups form

Vision 2020 Task Force and Steering Committee participants gathered in the town hall auditorium on Wednesday evening, June 24, to celebrate their most recent efforts, town warrant Articles 40 and 41: the acceptance of their reports and the endorsement to establish a new Vision 2020 Standing Committee.

Town Manager Donald R. Marquis and Director of Planning and Community Development Alan McClenen Jr., addressed the group of 50, emphasizing the importance of the Vision 2020 process to Arlington's future.

In an open forum, concerns regarding the roles of both the new standing committee as well as the future of the task groups were aired. Issues included applying for membership on the new Standing Committee, recruiting new members, planning for Town Day, establishing an archival record of Vision 2020 achievements, communication issues, and developing a graphic image for Arlington with possible tie-in images for Vision 2020 and the individual task groups.

Formation of the standing committee will be completed by July 13, with its organizing meeting to take place soon thereafter. The first task of the committee will be a complete review of the information received from the task groups. In refining a vision process for Arlington, the standing committee will draw heavily from the task force recommendations as con-

tained in their reports. The standing committee will then act as a managing and coordinating body to forge the linkage to the appropriate town agencies, thus encouraging consideration of the visioning process in town practices.

Successful development of a sound planning process for the town is the charge for the standing committee, said committee members in a release. Representation on the standing committee from all the task groups along with a student, citizens, Town Meeting members and elected and appointed officials guarantees an integrated exploration of issues facing Arlington now and in the future, said the release.

Citizen involvement in task group remains a key element to the ongoing success of Vision 2020, according to organizers. Anyone interested in joining should contact the Planning Department at town hall, 646-1000, Jane Howard (648-1936) or Theresa Bonar (643-7126).

Nominations to Vision 2020 Standing Committee, received by June 24, 1992.

Town Manager: Donald R. Marquis
Superintendent of Schools: Walter A. Devine
Town Moderator: John L. Worden III
Director, Planning & Community Development: Alan McClenen Jr.
Chairs or Elected Representative Selectmen: Stephen J. Gilligan

School Committee: Janice A. Baley
Finance Committee: John J. Deyst Jr.

Redevelopment Board: William L. Sovie
Two Town Meeting Members: Appointed by town moderator

Two residents of the Town: One appointed by selectmen, one appointed by School Comm.

Article Group Representatives:

Appointed by town manager

Community/Citizen service: none

Diversity: Karen Goodkin

Education: none

Environment: none

Culture & Recreation: Christine P. Deshler

Communication: Glenn C. Koenig

Alternate: Edward B. Landreth

Fiscal Resources: William E. Shea

Alternate: William Shea

Business: Gerard M. Cronin

Alternate: Carol R. Ryerson

Governance: Patricia E. Lieberson

Alternate: Mary Johnston Turner

One secondary school student, appointed by superintendent: Katie Freeze

Each appointee shall serve for a term of one year, but may be appointed for successive terms. Appointees shall serve until their successors are appointed.

POLICE LOG

POLICE, From page 4A

MISCELLANEOUS

youths gathering in the 100 block of Broadway.

■ On 12:54 a.m. on June 24, a fight was reported on Washington Street.

■ At 6:37 a.m. on June 24, an assault and battery was reported on Russell Street.

■ On June 24 at 8:06 p.m., police received a report of a problem between neighbors on Fremont Court.

■ At 10:20 p.m. on June 24 youths were reportedly gathering at Robbins Farm.

■ A suspicious person was reported on June 25 at 3:06 p.m. on Colonial Drive.

■ On June 25, police received reports of youths gathering on Arizona Terrace.

■ At 10:22 p.m. on June 25 received a report of a loud noise at the Dallin School Playground.

■ Police received another report of a loud noise at Robbins Farm at 10:22 p.m. on June 25.

■ On June 25 at 11:05 p.m. police received reports of youths gathering at Magnolia Field. About 10 minutes later police received reports of youths gathering in the Municipal Lot in Arlington Center.

■ At midnight on June 26 youths were reported gathering in the 200 block of Mass. Avenue. A short time later police received reports of youths gathering in the 300 block of Mass. Avenue.

■ At 1:46 a.m. on June 26 police received a report of youths gathering in the 100 block of Park Avenue. About

nine minutes later police received a report of youths gathering in Downing Square.

■ At 2:37 p.m. on June 26 police received a report of man exposing himself near Thorndike Field.

■ On June 26 at 7:09 p.m. a suspicious person was reported near the Peirce School.

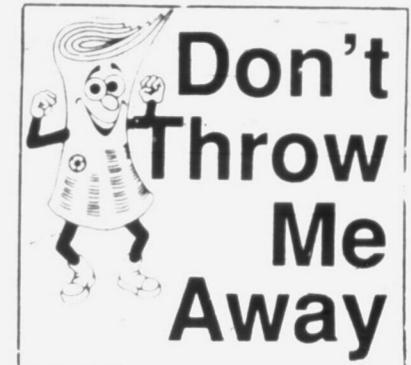
■ At 9:49 p.m. on June 26 youths were reportedly gathering on Old Colony Lane. Police were called again to that location at 11:01 p.m.

■ Also on June 26, at 11:02 p.m., police received a call about youths gathering at Hurd Field.

■ A fight was reported on June 26 at 11:36 p.m. in the 900 block of Mass. Avenue.

■ At 12:08 a.m. on June 27 police received a report of a loud noise at the corner of Coolidge Road and Hawthorne Avenue.

■ On June 27 at 1:41 a.m. youths were gathering at Refrew Street at Hillside Avenue.



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SENIOR NEWS

Council on Aging News
Dental Screening

The Council on Aging and Tufts Dental School will sponsor a dental screening on Thursday, July 16, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The examinations will be conducted by Dr. James Toyios from Tufts Dental College. Call for an appointment at 646-1000, ext. 4720.

Health counseling schedule

Thursday, July 2, 1 to 2:30 p.m., COA; Thursday, July 9, 1 to 2:30 p.m., COA; Thursday, July 16, 1 to 2:30 p.m., COA; Thursday, July 23, 1 to 2:30 p.m., COA; Thursday, July 30, 1 to 2:30 p.m., COA.

Health benefits counselors

COA health benefits counselors will be at the Council on Aging on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 10 a.m. to noon, to provide free confidential assistance with questions on Medicare, MEDEX, Health Maintenance Organizations, insurance claims forms, prescription drugs, etc. To make an appointment, call 646-1000, ext. 4720. If you, for any reason, are unable to keep your appointment with SHINE, a call letting us know would be appreciated.

Eating together meal site

Senior Center Luncheon Site, 27 Maple St. Call Site Manager Marge

Scott, 646-1000, ext. 4747, for reservations and transportation. Drake Village site, Hauser Bldg., 37 Drake Village Road. Call Site Manager Marilyn Bruno, 648-7500, for reservations and transportation. Reservations are necessary. Menus may change without notice. Monday, July 6, beef rib patty; Tuesday, July 7, chicken teriyaki; Wednesday, July 8, cold meat loaf; Thursday, July 9, roast turkey with gravy. Friday, July 10, ravioli.

Sandwich Menu for July

Monday, July 6: Beef rice soup, roast beef, beef and onion salad, rye bread, fresh fruit.

Monday, July 13: Vegetable soup, cottage cheese, fruit salad, hamburger roll, chilled fruit.

Project Hire

If you are in need of a companion, homemaker or health aide, and you live in Arlington or Lexington, contact June Brooks, Project Hire/COA at 646-1000, ext. 4720, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., 27 Maple St., Arlington, MA 02174.

Social service notes

If certain personal problems have you or a member of your family troubled, don't keep them to yourself. Our outreach worker, Diane Tainter, a licensed social worker, can help you with short-term counseling, nursing and retirement homes, emotional dysfunction and the like. For more information, call Diane Tainter, at 646-1000, ext. 4720.

Senior Citizens' Law Project

The Senior Citizens' Law Project of Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services Inc. provides legal assistance to eligible Arlington seniors at no charge. Legal assistance is available in the following areas, among others: Social Security, SSI, Medicaid, Medicare, evictions and nursing home care. Please call our intake line: 646-1000, ext. 4720 or ext. 4731. You can also meet with our intake worker, Myrtle Joy, at the Arlington Council on Aging.

COA Senior shuttle van

Parking at the Arlington Multipurpose Senior Center is difficult. In order to improve access to the center, the Arlington Council on Aging will run a shuttle van to pick up Arlington seniors from their private

homes, elderly housing and municipal parking lots. This is specifically for coming to activities and programs at the Arlington Senior Center.

Time: Pick up van will start running at 9:45 and at 10:45 a.m.

Departure — Van from Arlington Senior Center on return trips will be at 1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Extra — On Wednesdays when "Bingo" is played, a van will leave the Arlington Senior Center at approximately 3:20 p.m.

Routes — Two COA vans will be in operation:

Route 1 — Arlington Heights — will start at Drake Village then to private residents and stop at Cusack Terrace before returning to the Center.

Route 2 — East Arlington — will pick up private residents and then to Chestnut Manor, Municipal Parking Lots, Winslow Towers and Mill Street before returning to the Center.

Fee: 50 cents for one-way trip, 75 cents for round trip. For same-day service, seniors must call 646-1000, ext. 4720, between 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. for approximate pickup time.

Dial-a-Ride

Dial-a-Ride cards are available at the COA between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for Meals-On-Wheels delivery one hour per day, per week or per month. To set up a time to fit into your busy schedule, call the Council on Aging at 646-1000, ext. 4720. Thanks for your help!

Rep. Marzilli

Rep. Jim Marzilli will be at the Council on Aging from 9 to 11 a.m. on July 6 and 20 to answer questions, share your thoughts and opinions, or just to say hello.

Friendly visitors

The COA is currently recruiting for the Friendly Visitor Program. If you would like to spend an hour or so a week with an Arlington elder, sharing your time and love, call Lynne McCluskey at 646-1000, ext. 4720.

Links

The Links Program has been funded by W.R. Grace to "link" 7th and 8th grade students with elders needing yard cleanup, raking leaves, pet care, etc. Dennis Mercuro is the school/student coordinator. All arrangements for doing and monitoring work will be made between seniors, students and their parents.

Interested seniors should call June Brooks, Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 646-1000 ext. 4720.

Golden opportunities

Golden Opportunities is a cable TV program especially for seniors. Watch for it. You'll love it and find it most entertaining and informative.

Arlington Seniors Association
Weekly programs

Sponsored by the Arlington Seniors Association, these programs are of

fered every week at the Senior Center. To join a class or group, call 646-1000, ext. 4740 or 4743.

Monday, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., exercise; 1 to 4 p.m., contract bridge.

Tuesday, 10 a.m. to noon, writers' workshop; 10 to 11:15 a.m., beginning line dance with Charlie Kay.

Wednesday, 10 a.m. to noon, informal knitting; 1 to 4 p.m., contract bridge; 1 to 3 p.m., beano; 1 to 3 p.m., pool lessons. Thursday, 9 to 11 a.m., square dance lessons; 10 a.m. to noon, senior forum; 1:15 to 2:30 p.m., line dance class.

Friday, 9 to 10:30 a.m., yoga; 1 to 4 p.m., contract bridge or other games.

Whist Party

The Whist Party has been cancelled until third Sunday in September.

Advanced knitting

There will be a relaxing summer class in advanced knitting in the Senior Center. Classes start July 6 at 1 p.m. Instructor will be Mary Ann Wedlock.

Summer class

In this class we will focus on strengthening, stretching and loosening our muscles, increasing overall flexibility and postural awareness, decreasing both physical and mental stress and most important, have a lot of fun doing it on Wednesdays, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Overnight trips

Aug. 17 to 22: Prince Edward Island/Nova Scotia, six days, eight meals. Cost is \$589 per person, double occupancy. Enjoy the ferry cruise to Prince Edward Island, Scotia Prince Cruise with casino gambling, visit to "Anne of Green Gables" house and sightseeing tours. Deposit of \$25 due before July 1. Final payment due July 15. Call Betty at 643-6143.

Sept. 16-18: Atlantic City, N.J., "Taj Mahal" — three days, two dinners and review show. Cost is \$179 per person double occupancy. Deposit is \$25. Call Betty at 643-6143.

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EDUCATION



Students recognized for language study

The American Association of Teachers of French has recently honored students of French at Arlington High School. Toby Wikstrom received a trophy and certificate of merit from the AATF for outstanding achievement in his studies of the language. The following students were awarded certificates of merit for attaining scores higher than the national average on the "Grand Concours" French language achievement exams given to thousands of students across the nation:

Freshmen: Sarah Brown, Graham Booth, Andrew Castiglioni, David Catte, Stephanie Kottler, and Christopher Perriello.

Sophomores: Leilanie Brown, Richard Conde, Maria DiCenso, Kendra Lider-Johnson, Julie Traverson, and Demetri Zaphiris.

Juniors: David Allen, Wendy Carter, Phyllis Murphy, Patricia Palmer, and Miki Iuchi.

Seniors: Mendaley Chrispin and Toby Wikstrom.

At a ceremony to honor these students, Lisa Ferrante was also recognized for her outstanding achievement in the study of Italian.

Volunteer training for ESL tutors held

A workshop to train volunteer tutors to teach English as a Second

Language (ESL) to adults will be held Aug. 4, 6, 11 and 13, from 6 to 9:30 p.m., in Medford.

This workshop is offered by the Eastern Massachusetts Literacy Council, a non-profit agency affiliated with Laubach Literacy Action. There is a \$33 fee which covers materials to be used in tutoring. After the workshop, tutors are assigned to a learner in their geographical area.

For registration and details, call 862-3706.

Newbury offers two-year programs

Newbury College, located in the Arlington High School is offering area residents the opportunity to enroll in their two-year business management and human resources management associate degree programs. Individual courses within the programs include introduction to business, principles of management, and human resource management.

Newbury College offers assistance with financial aid, placement testing, and a career planning and placement office. Students who would like to register for classes beginning Sept. 14 may do so by calling Wayne H. Mullin, campus director, at 648-5424.

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Pictured (left to right) are Arlington residents who recently graduated from Arlington Catholic High School Jennifer O'Brien, Avola Street; James Munsey, Thorndike Street; Gregory Flavin, Wyman Street; Timothy Casey, Palmer Street; Timothy Leahy, Oldham Road; Joseph Gorman, Wachusett Avenue; Christina Passotti, North Union Street; Christy Shanahan, Mystic Street; Jeannette Connolly, Hopkins Road; Christine Sheppard, Webster Street; Robyn Baker, Newland Road and Catherine Michaud of Broadway. Missing from the photo is Patricia McDonald of Churchill Avenue.

ternational friendship and encourage language study.

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Nacel is the largest summer exchange program between the United States and Europe. This summer,

Nacel's purpose is to promote in-

nearly 7,000 European students will come here and more than 2,000 American students will go abroad. Hosting dates are as follows: French students, July 7 to 28 and July 29 to Aug. 19. Spanish students, July 2 to 29 and July 27 to Aug. 24.

There are also 30 French and 20 Spanish students who wish to spend the '92 to '93 school year with a host family.

To host, contact local representative, Livingston Grant at (508) 785-1834, state coordinator Louise Palmer in Becket at (413) 623-8836 or leave a message at 1-800-NACELLE (622-3553).

SENIOR NEWS

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Spain/Portugal — Sorry: Spain and Portugal trip has been cancelled.

Oct. 11-13: Adirondack Mountains, four meals, two breakfasts, two dinners. Cost is \$269 per person, double occupancy. Trip includes International Museum of Music, Utica Club Brewery, Indian Bingo, Beck's Grove Dinner Theatre, Oneida Mansion, Fort Stanwick, Erie Canal Village, National Baseball Hall of Fame. Cost is \$25 due upon reservation. Call Mary at 648-0311.

Symphony has open rehearsal program

The COA's Boston Symphony Open Rehearsal Program has filled reservations for the first bus.

Individuals still interested in participating will be put on a waiting list. If there are sufficient numbers to warrant a second bus, one will be made available. Interested seniors should forward their checks for \$60, made out to the Town of Belmont, to the Council on Aging Office, 455 Concord Ave immediately.

The dates for the program are on Thursdays as follows: Oct. 8, Dec. 10, March 18, and April 15. The programs start at 10:30 a.m. at Symphony Hall. In order to arrive in plenty of time, participants will be departing from the VFW Hall, 310 Trapelo Road at 9 a.m., and from the high school parking lot at 9:10 a.m.

Walking Program

The Belmont COA's Walking Group is currently meeting every Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Belmont High School parking lot. Participants stroll around the pond at their own pace. This form of exercise is physically rewarding and provides an opportunity to

socialize as well. If you are interested in this program just join the group on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. On certain occasions, the walkers will journey to various scenic locations around the area. Any questions may be directed to the COA Office at 489-8205.

Senior luncheon and show July 30

The Belmont Recreation Department's Senior Citizen Program will include a day trip to the Sheraton Hotel in Leominster for a luncheon and show on Thursday, July 30. Registration for this outing is now underway at the Recreation Office in the Belmont Town Hall Annex, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The show will feature the Leahy family of Canada. All 11 children of this family will perform, playing a total of 15 different instruments. They have charmed audiences throughout the world with their vocal, instrumental and step-dancing talent. In 1990, they performed more than 60 concerts in Germany, including one at the private residence of Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

The buses will leave from the high school parking lot at approximately 10:30 a.m. A full-course lunch will be held prior to the start of the show. The choice for the main course will be roast stuffed boneless breast of chicken, or baked stuffed filet of sole with crabmeat stuffing.

The group will arrive back in town at about 4 p.m. The cost for the trip will be \$27 per person and should be paid by check payable to the Town of Belmont. This trip is sponsored by C.F.H. Associates of New Hampshire.



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The Birthplace of "Uncle Sam"

Samuel Wilson

Editorial

Time for a change

A' golden opportunity' is how Selectmen Chairman Stephen Gilligan described the situation facing his board with the impending departure of their long-serving executive secretary. We agree.

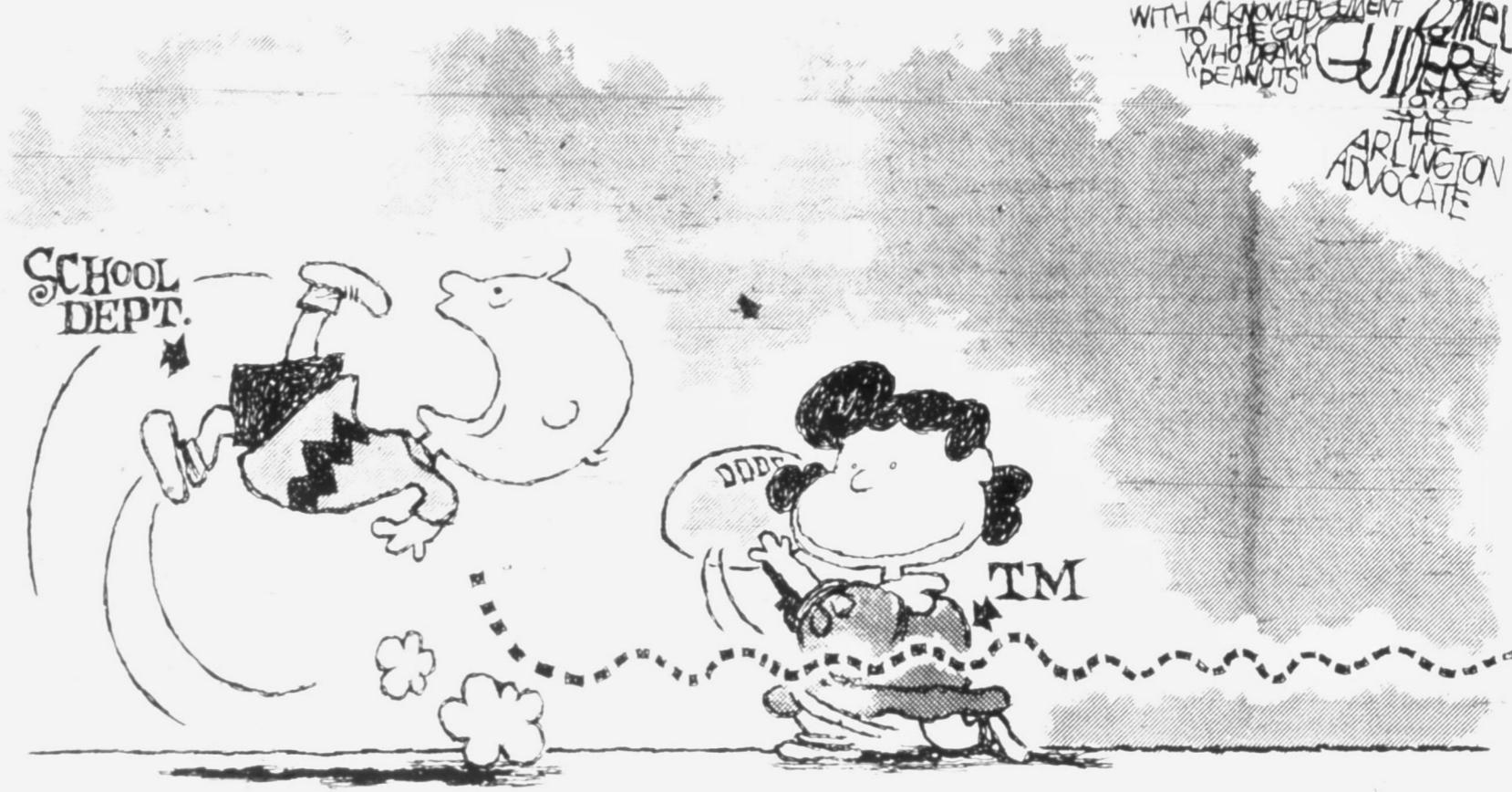
Arlington's Board of Selectmen is now presented with a chance to show some real leadership in how the town should be structured as we move into the next century.

It would not have been a prudent move to restructure a department with someone in a position for more than 20 years, however the town now has a chance to take a honest, unpolitical look at how our leading board runs its own affairs.

Arlington is the only town in the state with a "strong manager" and an "executive secretary." Towns of similar or larger population, budget, and land area do not need the structure we have. Perhaps there is a compelling reason why Arlington should be different. We owe it to the residents to at least investigate the issue.

For the last 25 years, Arlington's management and political leadership have led the way in streamlining departments without impacting services. This is just another opportunity to follow this path.

Selectmen have a chance to stand before the town and show true leadership, we hope they take this golden opportunity to do so.



News Item: TOWN MEETING EARMARKS MONEY FOR UNION CONTRACTS FROM "FREE CASH" FUND WHICH ORDINARILY WOULD HAVE BEEN SPLIT WITH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT



Beacon Hill Roll Call



Sen. Havern



Rep. Marzilli



Rep. Gibson

THE HOUSE AND SENATE. Beacon Hill Roll Call records local senators' votes on eight roll calls from the week of June 22-26. There were no important roll calls in the House.

MICHAEL KELLY (S 1636) — Senate 19-17, refused to suspend rules to allow immediate consideration of an order establishing a special committee to investigate the circumstances surrounding the release of accused murderer Michael Kelly from the Dangerous Persons Center at Bridgewater State Hospital. Kelly is accused of committing two murders after his release.

Supporters said it is time to examine the outrageous problems of releasing people while they are still a threat to society.

Opponents said the Post Audit Committee is already addressing the issue (A "yes" vote is for rule suspension. A "no" vote is against it.)

Sen. Robert Havern voted no.

SEXUAL ABUSE (H 2107). Senate 20-17, rejected an amendment to the House-approved bill extending the time period during which a minor victim of sexual abuse can bring a civil suit.

The bill extends the current period of up to age 21 and permits a suit within three years of the act or resulting emotional problems. The amendment prohibits suits after 30 years following the act.

Amendment supporters said any suit beyond 30 years is a stretch and will make a trial difficult and unfair.

Opponents said it can easily take more than 30 years to acknowledge such abuse. (A "yes" vote prohibits suits after 30 years. A "no" vote allows them.)

Havern voted no.

NEEDLE EXCHANGES (S 1498) — Senate 20-13, refused to discharge onto the Senate floor for action a bill establishing a local option one-year pilot program for the exchange of hypodermic needles and syringes.

The program would only be implemented in communities which agree to participate.

ROLLCALL. See page 9A

Guest Column

Excellence and funding public schools

By Mary Jane Gibson and Richard Allen
SPECIAL TO THE ADVOCATE

Massachusetts political leadership has initiated three education reform efforts in the last dozen years. If we've learned anything from them, we have learned to ask the fundamental question first: What's the proposal for funding excellent public schools?

According to the Massachusetts constitution, providing public schools with equal opportunity is an obligation of the state. The federal government used to take an interest, but the Bush administration has reduced support to proportionately half of what Richard Nixon provided in the 1970s.

Right now the fiscal situation is bleak. Federal help has virtually disappeared, state government is "downsizing" local aid and most local governments have hit the wall under Proposition 2½. Whatever path

this year's reform takes — and there are some interesting proposals being discussed — no reform will amount to anything without the commitment of real dollars, dollars we can count on for the foreseeable future.

Several leading politicians claim that we don't need to "throw more money" at the schools. However, they attended elite private schools themselves and so do their children. On close inspection one finds that these are schools where quite a bit of money is "thrown."

There are 14 or 15 countries whose students perform better academically than American students. Is it a coincidence that their per pupil expenditures are higher than ours? It would seem that "throwing money at schools" works very well in private schools and in countries around the world.

The business vocabulary used in this debate is problematic. Is the political establishment so enamored of the language of business that they

would steer us toward reforms better suited to factories than schools? Capitalism defines an economic system; its vocabulary doesn't fit the realities of schools and children very well. Under capitalism, many businesses fail and the survivors triumph over the defeated.

In a democracy, we simply cannot afford to have a few excellent schools triumph over a majority of "bankrupt" schools. We need all of the schools to prepare all the children for useful, productive places in the work world and for full participation in the democratic process.

The "school choice" plan — the absurd logical result of this misplaced ideology — counts on students leaving and somehow punishing deficient schools so that these schools will "try harder," like Avis. What if they are already trying hard with outdated equipment, insufficient books and overwhelmed, demoralized teachers? Don't we need to bolster and reinforce these deficient schools

rather than to entice the activist parent and lucky student away, leaving the deserted schools on their downward spiral?

Although industrial Darwinism may lead to success in the marketplace, no thoughtful person can seriously encourage this notion in public education. It would be foolish to condemn our least successful schools to failure, because along with them, the children and communities will fail as well. These schools and their faculties did not set out to fail. They have not failed to read the market, promote their products or produce a good result at the right price. They are failing because no one will invest in their future. Their capital has dried up, and their students arrive not always ready to be fed, clothed, disciplined, loved, respected and cared about.

Unlike raw materials, specified,

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Letters to the Editor

Response to abortion letter

To the editor:

This is in response to Mr. Eynon's letter in the June 25 edition of The Advocate.

When I look back over the history of the United States, I have always thought that the separation of church and state was a good idea. The reason our government did this was to insure that our first amendment rights to freedom of religion were not infringed upon. However, it seems to me that Mr. Eynon believes that we should revert back to the days of religious oppression, and live our lives in accordance with his interpretation of the Bible. I disagree.

In his letter I also see references to teen suicide, alcohol, and drug deaths in that order, all of which are implicitly blamed on abortion clinics. Alcohol, drugs and suicide have existed for a long time — long before abortion clinics were more common. The fact that people lose hope in life is not caused by the availability of a safe legal alternative to unwanted pregnancies.

In this day and age a child must be nurtured and cared for in order to give their unique gifts and talents to the world. Teenage pregnancy can be straining physically on the parent and emotionally on everyone involved. Just because a woman can physically have a child does not always mean that she will be able to properly nurture and care for it. The freedom to choose does not force anyone to have an abortion, it simply allows a woman to govern her own body instead of the state.

Saying that a woman should not be able to make her own decisions is pure prejudice. To do so is to take

away a woman's constitutional rights, in short, to turn women into second class citizens. I am very dismayed that this is what some people believe our country stands for.

Zachary Becker

Warning on licenses issued

To the editor:

Your readers need to know that, as of July 1, contractors performing home improvements must be registered with the state and homeowners must contract for a home improvement with a contractor who is registered or they will not have the protections described below.

In the final days of the legislative session last year, Governor Weld signed into law a bill regulating the home improvement contracting industry.

The new law, M.G.L. ch.142A, becomes effective on July 1. It requires home improvement contractors, by that date, to register with the Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS) in the Executive Office of Public Safety

and pay two fees — a registration fee and a fee to the newly created Home Improvement Guaranty Fund.

Applications and further information are available from BBRS, local building inspectors and local building supply companies.

In addition, the law requires a written contract for jobs costing more than \$1,000, establishes a state-approved arbitration system so that homeowners will have an alternative to court for resolving disputes, and creates a Guaranty Fund to reimburse homeowners up to \$10,000 in cases where a court of competent jurisdiction has determined that the owner has been harmed by an irres-

sponsible contractor who is unable to make the owner "whole."

The law also prohibits contractors from acting as brokers in arranging for second mortgages to finance home improvements. Those few contractors who now tarnish the image of their industry by failing to perform or complete work, performing shoddy work or misleading homeowners about the terms of the transactions will be prevented from continuing to operate with impunity.

Contractors and homeowners can get more information about the provisions of the law by contacting the Executive Office of Public Safety at 727-8598 or the Executive Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation at 727-7780.

Ellen S. Citron
Massachusetts Consumers' Coalition

Action at cemetery contemptuous

To the editor:

Because of the dry spell, I went to the cemetery to water flowers planted in a window box set on the base of the tombstone and wired to the stone itself. I had installed this several years ago but it was gone this week, stolen for the beauty of the box set with flowering plants. The wires were severed.

What a contemptuous act. Nothing is sacred. The only criteria today is to get away with it and my deceased family cannot talk.

My congratulations to the debased person who took the results of my hard work in a labor of love. At least they are sensitive enough to still appreciate beauty.

I thought if you could publish this letter the "person" who stole the box might read it. Plants and urns constantly disappear from Mount Pleasant. I guess we are living in an era of utter contempt for moral scruples.

Marguerite Badala

Family stands by daughter's claim

To the editor:

We are proud that Kathleen Carey is our daughter. We know her allegations of sexual abuse by Dr. Edward Schofield are true. He repeatedly sexually abused our 13-year-old daughter while she was a student at Central Satellite Junior High School. He was a respected principal and we considered him a trusted family friend. Kathleen is very courageous to come forth publicly to prevent the possibility of further sexual abuse of the children entrusted to him.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert J. Carey
Mystic Street

Family thanks supporters, friends

To the editor:

We would like to thank the citizens of Arlington who supported our father, Arthur Speros, during his various political campaigns of the past decade.

Although he never won election to the Board of Selectmen or Assessors, our father always felt Arlington should have a choice on the ballot, rather than just an A or B option. It could be argued that he was a Ross Perot without the billions.

For our father, winning or losing was second to the campaign itself.

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That provided him the biggest thrill by allowing him to get his views across on the issues of the day. And when there was no election on the horizon, our father could be found holding court at Dunkin' Donuts — his favorite hangout.

Although he was born in Waltham, grew up in Cambridge and Newton, and spent what he called the "best years of his life" serving with the U.S. Air Force in Japan, our father

truly cared about Arlington and its people. His only social interest groups were the town's families, homeowners and taxpayers. That compassion for the heart of Arlington will be missed come election time next year.

We, finally, would also like to thank all of the friends and relatives who came to pay their respects at our father's wake and funeral. Your thoughts, cards and prayers are appreciated.

Ted, John and Bill Speros



Beacon Hill Roll Call

ROLLCALL, From page 8A

Bill supporters said this controlled program will provide clean needles for drug users and help stop the spread of the HIV virus.

Bill opponents said it is wrong to distribute needles and encourage drug use. Some opponents of discharge said they supported the bill but opposed discharge until the committee chair has had time to study the bill. (A "yes" vote is for discharge onto the floor for action. A "no" vote is against discharge.)

Havens voted no.

APPROVE BUDGET (H 5700) — Senate 38-0, gave near final approval to its own version of a \$14.4 billion fiscal 1993 state budget. This version is estimated to cost hundreds of millions of dollars less than the House-approved one.

Supporters said this package is a balanced and fiscally responsible one which eliminates the red ink in the House version and continues fiscal stability. (A "yes" vote is for the budget.)

Havens voted yes.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT (H 5700) — Senate 22-16, approved an amendment striking the sections abolishing county government and providing for state takeover of its functions by July 1994 except in Barnstable, Dukes, Franklin and Hampshire. The sections also allow a majority vote of the communities in a county to retain their county government.

Amendment supporters said county government still performs valuable functions which should continue at the local level and not be assumed by the state.

Opponents said county government is an archaic and inefficient system full of waste and patronage. (A "yes" vote is for retaining county government. A "no" vote is for abolishing county government.)

Havens voted no.

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Guest column

Help for families with questions on behavior

By Dr. Eva Balazs
SPECIAL TO THE ADVOCATE

(The following is a response to a column written by Dr. Eva Balazs, a family therapist from Arlington. Please send letters and questions for Dr. Balazs to The Advocate, 5 Water St., Arlington, Mass. 02174.)

We received several letters in response to the discussion on sibling rivalry. It seems that people have standard strategies for coping with kid's quarrels but they tend to lead to more frustration and resentment. Parents want to hear new solutions. Here are some suggestions.

Letter from Mary P.:

A lot of fighting in my house starts when one of the boys "tells" on the other in order to get him into trouble. Is there a way to discourage this?

Dr. Balazs:

Yes, by not rewarding the talebearer with your anger at his sibling.

We discourage tattling when we take the position that we expect each child to be responsible only for his own behavior.

"I'm not comfortable hearing about what your brother is or isn't doing. But if you want to tell me about yourself, I'm happy to listen."

He will get the idea after awhile.

Letter from Marie S.:

What should you do if you notice the older child deliberately takes advantage of the younger one. My son and daughter will be playing with baseball cards and she'll keep the best ones for herself and give him the old-beat up ones. Should I say something to her?

Dr. Balazs:

As long as both parties are satisfied, it's a good idea to refrain from interfering. It might help to keep in mind that your son won't be a pushover forever. Very soon he'll be as big and as smart as his older sis-

ter. He'll learn to speak up for himself and get what he needs. After all, he has an excellent teacher.

Letter from Paula A.:

What gets me is when the children finally do something nice and then fight over who has done the best job or the most work. My daughter will say, "I did all the dishes." My son says, "Big deal. I had to do the pots and take out the garbage." How do you handle this?

Dr. Balazs:

What's happening here is that both of them are vying for your recognition. It is a good idea to validate their accomplishment and praise their cooperation. It was their mutual effort, not the competition of who did more, that got the job done. That's what counts and that's what you appreciate.

"Hey, look at this kitchen. Between the two of you, you got it all straightened up. You are some team."

Letter from Nancy D.:

It upsets me when we try to have a nice day out with the three girls and the bickering never stops. Is there anything we can do about this?

Dr. Balazs:

Children have different needs at different times in their development. It might be that "togetherness" at this point is not a productive motto for your family. The girls might benefit more from separate outings, separate activities, with friends, and separate, special times along with you.

I would say, for now, let go of the pursuit of togetherness and save yourself, and everyone else, a lot of frustration and resentment. The situation might be quite different a few years from now.

(Dr. Eva Balazs, a licensed family therapist, will answer questions in this column. To avoid conflict of interest, however, Dr. Balazs will not see clients whom she advises in this column. Her service is meant to be a complement to, not a substitute for, face-to-face counseling.)

How to support the pursuit of excellence

EDUCATION, From page 8A

sorted, and preprocessed, children come to school in every imaginable state of readiness for learning. They are diverse in their cultures, language, maturity, physical health and stamina, intellectual development, imagination, experiences, curiosity and motivation.

Even when you dress them alike and pre-select and sort them as a private school might, no teacher can succeed by teaching them all in the same way, no matter how tried the methods. And plain and simple though it sounds, any new ideas must be accompanied by full, fair, predictable funding.

Some excellent proposals are being floated as components of this year's education reform. Even the best schools can benefit from public scrutiny and review. But they need ideas suited to the realities of real children in actual operating schools, not misplaced models of business competition. Site based management, one of this year's reform ideas, may be an important advance but it will be of little help where the desperate need is for paying for enough teachers to staff classrooms of reasonable size.

The case has been made that the struggling inner city schools of Lawrence and Holyoke and New Bed-

ford must be brought into some kind of balance with the wealthy schools which spend three times as much per pupil. What this year's reformers also need to hear is that even the strong suburban schools are also in jeopardy. Their high standards are eroding under the unrealistic limits of Prop. 2½, which don't allow for inflation or for the needs of increased enrollment. It should be clear by now that the property tax alone can't pay for adequate schools, even in the affluent communities.

The public is ahead of the politicians on this one. Polls show that Americans realize that our educational system is a good investment, acknowledge that reform and rededication cost money and — this is the amazing part — they are willing

to pay more to fund better schools. We are a better people than our political leaders realize! We citizens of Massachusetts value education, respect teachers, have confidence in our ability to provide decent schools. We want to see the schools meet the challenges of a troubled society. We want to prepare children to compete in an international economic arena where countries invest generously in public education.

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(Mary Jane Gibson is the state representative from East Arlington and Belmont. Richard Allen has been a teacher at Belmont High School for more than 20 years.)

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Sarah Quatieri

Frank and Marcia (McLaughlin) Quatieri of Arlington announce the birth of their daughter, Sarah, on May 21 at the New England Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Francis McLaughlin of Arlington and Alfred Quatieri of Arlington.

Sean Matthew Lyons

Mr. and Mrs. Sean Lyons (Kathy O'Neil) of Arlington announce the birth of their son, Sean Matthew, on May 31 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

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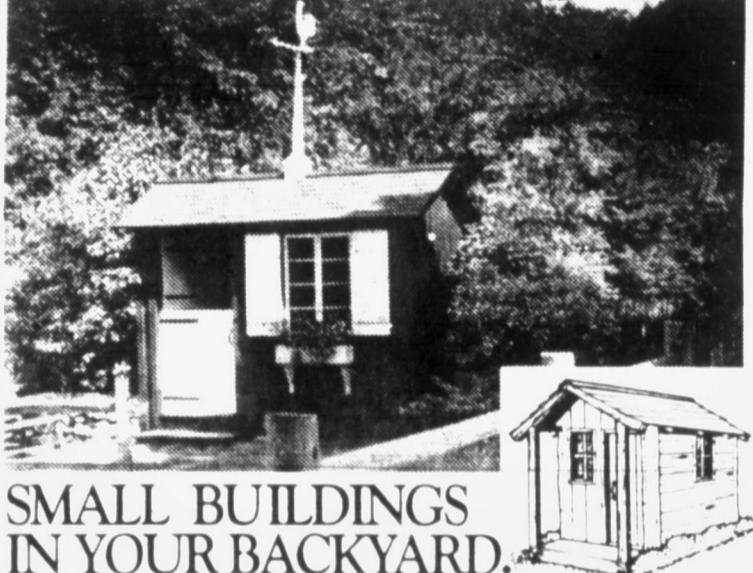
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Sharing grandparent honors are Mr. and Mrs. George Mousterakis of Woburn and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Leone of Arlington.

John Angelo Bergantino

Paul V. and Jennifer Johnson-Bergantino of Arlington, announce the birth of their son, John Angelo Bergantino, on June 8 at the Emerson Hospital in Concord.

Sharing grandparent honors are Sandra L. Johnson of Dunstable, and

Christopher John Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy S. Brown (Alicia Perez) of Arlington announce the birth of their son, Christopher John on May 22 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Maria and Juan Perez of Arlington.

Paternal grandparents are Dorothy and Leonard Brown of Peabody.

Christopher is welcomed home by his brother Matthew.

Sean Patrick O'Leary

David and Kathleen (Davies) O'Leary of Wayland announce the birth of their son, Sean Patrick, on April 18 at the Waltham Weston Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Jack and Barbara Davies of Arlington.

Paternal grandparents are Bill and Louise O'Leary of Natick.

Maternal great-grandmother is Evelyn Davies of Arlington.

James Nicholas Rubio

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Rubio (Michele Cornetta) of Burlington announce the birth of their third son, James Nicholas, on June 2 at Winchester Hospital.

James Nicholas is welcomed home by his brothers Frank and Steven.

Sharing grandparent honors are Mr. and Mrs. Eleftherios Tzevelecas of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lacasse of York Beach, Maine.

James Nicholas is welcomed home by his brother Alexander Peter.

Angelo and Pauline Bergantino of Arlington.

Connor Joseph Allen

Mr. and Mrs. Richard MacDonald (Lisa Keljikian) of Arlington announce the birth of their first son, Connor Joseph on June 15 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

Sharing grandparent honors are Mr. and Mrs. Nishan Keljikian of Lexington and Ms. Claire MacDonald of Arlington and Mr. James McDonald of Billerica.

Connor is welcomed home by his mother Lori Simole.

Sharing grandparent honors are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simole and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Allen, all of Arlington.

Thomas Kelley Hughes

Kenneth W. and Claudia J. (Dahill) Hughes of Arlington announce the birth of their second son, Thomas Kelley, on June 8 at Winchester Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Dahill of Ogunquit, Maine.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hughes of Arlington.

Evaline Maria Lacasse

Alex and Maria (Tzevelecas) Lacasse of Nashua, N.H. announce the birth of their daughter, Evaline Maria, on May 9 at Winchester Hospital.

Sharing grandparent honors are Mr. and Mrs. Eleftherios Tzevelecas of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lacasse of York Beach, Maine.

Evaline Maria is welcomed home by her brother Alexander Peter.

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Megan Elizabeth is welcomed home by her sister Briana.

Maura Emily Corbett

Michael and Eugenia (Finitsis) Corbett of Somerville announce the birth of their daughter, Maura Emily, on June 16 at Malden Hospital.

Maternal grandmother is Mary Finitsis of Somerville.

Paternal grandparents are Lois and Niall Corbett, Sr. of Arlington. Paternal great-grandmother is Margaret Curtin also of Arlington.

Maura Emily is welcomed home by her brother Daniel.

Jonathan Abbott

Norman and Donna Abbott, the former Donna Shanus, announce the birth of their son, Jonathan Samuel Abbott, on Tuesday, June 16, at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Shanus of Middletown, Conn.

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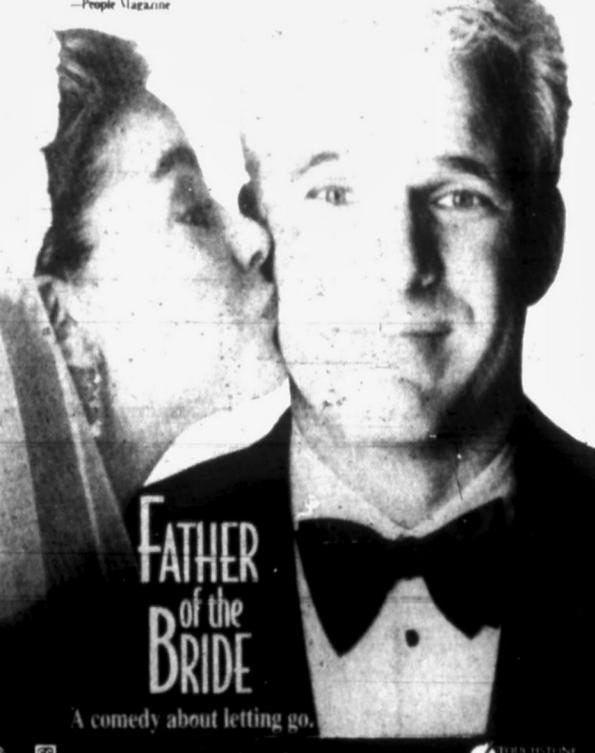
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